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ARMY OFFICERS MAY BE DISMISSED IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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BHUTTO'S RELATIONS WITH THE MILITARY ARE GEN-  
ERALLY SOUND AND HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH ARMY COMMANDER  
TIKKA KHAN IS ESPECIALLY GOOD--A KEY FACTOR IN HIS  
POWER BASE. NEVERTHELESS, AT A TIME WHEN CIVIL DIS-  
ORDER AND POLITICAL OPPOSITION TO THE ADMINISTRA-  
TION'S EFFORTS TO PAVE THE WAY FOR RECOGNITION OF  
BANGLADESH ARE GROWING, BHUTTO MAY BELIEVE IT PRU-  
DENT TO ROOT OUT EVEN SMALL POCKETS OF MILITARY  
DISCONTENT. AT THE SAME TIME, HE WILL HAVE TO  
HANDLE THE DISMISSALS IN A MANNER THAT WILL AVOID  
MAKING THE OFFICERS A RALLYING POINT FOR OPPOSITION  
ELEMENTS BOTH WITHIN AND OUTSIDE THE ARMY.

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